W. H. LEE, President. D. R. FRANCIS, Vice Pres't. A. L. SHAPLEIGH, 2d Vice Pres't.

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New York Stock Quotations.

New York, Feb. 15.—Following ate the highest lowest and closing quotations for socies on the Stock Exchange to-day, with the amount of sales;

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Do pfd
Missouri Pacific
M. K. & T.
Do pfd
Nat. R. R of Mexico pfd.
New York Central
Norfolk and Western
Do pfd
Ontario and Western
Pennsylvania
P. C. & St. L.
Reading

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Con. Cal. & Va. 170
Horn Silver 120
Iron Silver 120
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Chicago Stock Market. Reported by G. H. Walker & Co., No. 2011 Fourth Street.

Washington, Peb. 13—Available cash balance 1224,451,955; gold 198,09,006. Bar Silver. New York, Feb. 15.—Bar Silver 13c per oz. At London firm, 273/d per oz.

The Merchants Laclede National Bank

OF ST. LOUIS.

Condensed Statement of Condition at Close of Business Jan. 22, 1904. RESOURCES.

990,118.53 Other Bonds, Stocks, etc..... 52,009.16 Real Estate..... \$17,951,105.49

LIABILITIES. Municipal "Deposits, Individual......\$6,654.418.68 United States... 991.829.94 Trust Co.'s..... 239.891.97— \$7.886.140.59 Banks and Bankers...... 6.031,917.34— 13.918,057.93

FINANCIAL.

Mercantile Trust Co.

Capital and Surplus, \$9,500,000. Buys and Sells Government, State. County, Municipal and Choice Railroad and Corporation Bouds.

OFFERS:

Union Depot R. R. 696 1918. Merchants' Bridge 696 1929. St. Louis Merchants' Bridge and Terminal Railway 5% 1930. Laciede Gas Light Co. 5% 1911. Missouri Pacific Railway 596 1917.

Bond Circular sent on application. Interviews with investors solicited.

Bond Department, Wm. Foley, Manager. JONES, CAESAR & CO.,

Certified Public Accountants, Stock Exchange Building. Telephones-Bell, Main 270; Kinloch, A 335. FEW YORK, CHICASO, PITTSBURG, LONDON.

WALL STREET MARKS TIME, BUT HOLDS PRICES FIRM.

BEARS INDISPOSED TO SELL FOR SHORT ACCOUNT.

Financial Outlook Considered Distinctly Hopeful, in Spite of Heavy Requirements.

New York, Feb. 15 .- The stock market to-day marked time and at intervals came to a halt; but, slight as was the demand for stocks, it was sufficient to maintain prices, as the offerings were entirely in-significant. There was no sign of liquida-tion, nor did the professional traders venture to take the short side of the market, in spite of the stagnant condition that usually invites to some aggression by professional bears. There was nothing in the day's news that semed to have any influence upon the market beyond the negative influence of the relief felt at the absence of seiling pressure. The special demand from Baltimore last week for funds, which counteracted the currency movement to New York, is expected to continue this week, some estimates of the probable shipments to be made this week running to improbable figures. The financial world, however, is in a very composed frame of initial regarding the money outlook, in spite of the Baltimore demand, the coming Panama Canal payment and the continued temporary borrowing by railroads, which receives a greater or less addition every day. in spite of the stagmant condition that

BANK REPORTS.

banks throughout the country, as of January 22, shows some comparisons with the condition of November 17, the period of the last call by the Comptroller, which help to explain this confidence. While the total of loans for that period has increased some \$14.00,000, the reports of New York clearing-house banks between the nearest corresponding dates show an increase of \$78.000,000. The aggregate increase in deposite which reached \$124.000,000 is also exceeded by the New York increase, which was \$125.000,000.

was \$15,000,000.

It thus appears that the enormous increase which was noted in the New York bank loans during that time, and which has gone still further since then, was accompanied by an actual shrinkage in the loan account of other national banks. This corroborates the supposition that interlor banks as well as New York trust compales were shifting deposits to New York hanks to take the interest rates on deposits and reducing their own loans because of the low rates to which interest on money had failen. The aggregate reserves of the country have increased about \$34,000,000. This small loan expansion shown by the Saturday bank statement is also interpreted as showing that the large corporation borrowings, which have made so portenious an impression, were largely provided for in the previous loan expansion.

COPPER ADVANCES.

Of to-day's few noteworthy movements that in Amalgamated Copper was attributed to an advance in the ptice of copper. Reports were current that an agreement had been reached between the largest invidual holders of New York Central stock to pool the stock and withhold it from the market, and the shorts in the stock were made uneasy thereby. Rumors of the serious illness of the German Emperor and the Czar were without apparent effect. Reports of raie-cutting on grain, the failure of gailroad earnings to show improvement and rumors of a coming strike in the soft-coal fields, were equally without effect. The close was firm, but nearly stagmant. The day's business was the smallest in nearly four weeks.

The bond market was also exceedingly duli, and the tone steady. Total sales, par value, \$1.218,500. United States bonds were unchanged on call. that in Amalgamated Copper was attrib-

Clearings were large, and there was a good inquiry for funds, with discount rates for call and time loans steady at 5 to 6 per cent. Yesterday's Bank Clearings.

Yesterday's clearing-house statement showed clearings \$10,768,427 and belances \$1,203,825. New York, Feb. 15—Money on call easier, 11; filiac per cent; closing bid 14c; offered at 14c. Time leans steady; 60 days and 50 days 35,74 per cent; six months, 44,644c. Prime mercantle pater 45,653d. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers bills at 4,85066 4,856 for demand and at 4,825,674,276 for 80-day bills; posted rates 4,85634 and 4,256; comTRANSIT AND PREFERRED

TRACTIONS ALONE ACTIVE

Four Per Cent Bonds of the Uni-

ARE EASY.

ted Railways Company Are in Fair Demand.

Tractions were the only active issues in a very dull session of the local Stock Ex-change. St. Louis Transit was under considerable selling pressure and the close was weak. After early sales at \$8.75 the market eased off to \$8.625 and the final quotation was \$8.50 bid and \$8.62% asked. quoiation was \$8.50 bid and \$8.52\Lambda asked. There seemed to be very little outside buying demand for the stock and it was not firmly held. United Rallways preferred also was weak at 25.25. The 4 per cent bonds heid steady at \$7.37\Lambda banking list and while bidding was rather free for some of the favored miscellaneous securities, that class of issues was firmly held and no trading resulted.

YESTERDAY'S SESSION. Closing quotations: tt. Louis Transit United Railways pfd. United Railways 48... St. Louis Union Trust. 77.53 St. Louis Cmon Trust.

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Bond Quotations at New York. REPUBLIC SPECIAL-New York, Feb. 12. Following are quota-tions for bonds on the Stock Exchange to-day: REPUBLIC SPECIAL

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Consolidated Tobacco 4s.

Colorado & Southern 4s.

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Wisconsin Central 3s.

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Total sales for the day, 174,300 shares.

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*STOCKS AND BONDS IN BOSTON.

Beston, Mass., Feb. 15.—Clessing quotations to day on money, bonds, stocks and mining shares:

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4... 1285... 2.25 57... 1182... 2.10 20... 1283... 2.95 1... 1220... 2.90 2... 1231... 2.90 21... 1236... 2.90 21... 1231... 2.90 21... 2.

want the poorer grades, and buy them only became they are compelled.

HOGS—A good liberal supply of hogs arrived for the first day of the week to receipts and they have been as prefly good representation of good medium and heavy hogs on sale. The liberal run here and elsewhere gave buyers the advantage, who set out to force a decline which sellers did not like to accept, consequently the market at the opening was slow. Some of the best butcher and heavy hogs sold early only Se lower, but the mixed lots, plain packers and all pies and lights showed a loss of file. Even at the decline trading was slow and continued so all day, with the late market being life lower than the Saturdary lite sale being life lower than the Saturdary lite sale being life lower than the Saturdary lite sale pocally on those that were not very good in quality. Good butcher and heavy hogs sold at \$1.555.50; fair to good medium weights and packers \$5.1995.55; lights above 150 for average \$4.796.15; lights and under 156 hos average \$4.796.15; lights and under 156 hos average \$4.796.15; lights and under 156 hos average \$4.296.45; ples under 150 hos \$1.2534.50; and roughs and culls at \$4.1964.69. The bulk of the hogs weighing 150 hos or more sold at \$5.555. Sagainst \$1.5455.79; Saturday.

HORSES—The openitus of the week in the horse market manifested a continuance of artivity and strength; the supply is liberal, and there are plenty of buyers on the market, who are taking hold of the effectives with market, who are taking hold of the effectives with market, who are taking hold of the effectives with market and liver are plenty of buyers on the market, who are taking hold of the effective with market, who are taking hold of the effective with market, who are taking hold of the effective with market, who are taking hold of the effective with market, who are taking hold of the effective with market, who are taking hold of the effective with market, who are taking hold of the effective with market, who are taking hold of the effective with market ON THE LOCAL EXCHANGE.

By Telegraph.

New York Curb Market.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York Peb 15.—Transactions on the curb were trailing Even Standard Oil was without learner, except for its may or discussion on the reduction of 4 per cent on the March quarterly deviation for 10 to 16 per cent. Earlier in the day there had been one sale of 4 anarcs at 665 which was the same price in the last previous sale ast weed. The quotation held at 660 and 650 aftered during most of the afternacion. Opening.

Wheat of and solo aftered during most of the hist moon.

Greeno Copper declined to 10%, a new low record since the articles of the hist previous low level was low. The weakness was attributed to inquination on account of the hist previous low level was low. The weakness was stock issue. After selling at 11, the rights were lob bid for a time; then the bid was reduced to 7. Northern Securities soid at 29 to 85%, bits and Milling preferred at 19 and American Can preferred at as to 45%.

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Butter and Cheese.

New York, Feb. 15.—Butter sim; fresh creamery 15875c. State nurry 16971c. Cheese steady: State null cream fancy large and small colored and white Sept. 12c. late made 1916c. Chleago, Feb. 15.—Butter firm, creameries 15 (The: oaires 184,975c. Cheese steady to firm; dankes, 105,8795c; twins 109,105,65 and firm, be lower; extra Western creamery Size, exita near-by prints 2c. Cheese steady. New York full creams, choice to fancy, ligitize; New York full creams, fair to good, 1915,6105c.

Elgin, iii. Feb. 15.—Butter nuled firm on the Board of Trade to-day at 250 ser 10., an advance of the from last week's quotations. The sales for the distinct last week's quotations. The sales for the distinct last week's quotations.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

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Toledo, O., Feb. Ia.

The Visible.

New York, Feb. I5.—The visible supply of grain Saturday, Feb. I2. as compiled by the result of the control of the

MAY WHEAT COMES CLOSE

SHORT SELLING OF THIS OPTION ABANDONED.

War Demand, Cold in Southwest and Diminishing Supplies Are Potent Bull Influences.

Chicago, Feb. 15 .- A new high-record price was reached to-day for May wheat delivery, 28c a bu. With the war advancing foreign grain markets, the visible supply diminished, and with crop prospeets in the Southwest threatened by the cold weather, short se'ling of the May option was practically abandoned uly absorbing most of the new business. Closing prices were near the top, with May 15cc above Saturday's final figures. July closed 15-615c up. May corn was 15-615c higher, oats unchanged and provisions 10-27-12c higher.

WHEAT.

The wheat market was builish from start to finish. Higher prices at Liverpool and Antwerp, together with cold weather in

CORN. Corn showed excellent strength on an

active general trade. Like wheat, it was helped by the foreign situation. Local people had corn for sale early in the sespeople had corn for sale early in the session, but befor, the end of the day they bought back more than they originally sold. Shorts were the principal buyers, although there was some buying for investment account. Scarcity of contract corn was one of the main bull influences, although the strength in whest exerted a beneficial effect. May opened \(\frac{1}{2}\) to \(\fra

OATS. Gats felt the effects of the war and the indication of increased trade, sharing the builish proclivities of wheat and corn durbuilish proclivities of wheat and corn during the greater part of the session. The market was active and nervous. The opinion was cuite general that the principal buil operator was again a heavy buyer. Toward the close the offerings of May were more liberal than during the early hours and in consequence the market weakened for that delivery. Final figures in May were precisely where they left of Saturday. The opening was lied to be higher at 44% to 44%, and after selling up to 45c closed at 44%c. July clored ign higher at 39%c. Local receipts were 450 cnrs. CATS. RANGE OF FUTURES.

Opening. Highest. Lowest. Closing 55 501/8574 52% 53% 8624

as active and strong as the grain markets. In the face of liberal receipts of hogs and lower prices at the yards, an argent investment demand was manifested the entire day, which resulted in marked gams. Packers and local longs were the principal sellers. The close was strong, with prices near the top. May pork was un 27½c at \$15, after ranging between \$14.89 and \$15.85. May lard closed loc higher at \$7.75, a hile ribs were 109.12½c higher at \$7.75, a hile ribs were 109.12½c higher at \$7.75, a hile ribs were 109.12½c higher at \$7.75, 25, Estimated receipts for to-morrow: Wheat, 59 cars; corn, 55; oats, 255; hogs, 36,000 head.



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TO THE DOLLAR MARK. SUMMARY OF ST. LOUIS MARKETS

Bullish sentiment at home and abroad left no doubt as to the tendency of grain values in yesterday's market. For the first time in several days there was what was regarded as an adequate foreign response to the recent domestic advances. Cables came higher at the opening and the strength at Liverpool and other European centers was the more noticeable in view of the fact that world's shipments during the week were unexpectedly large. Domestic conditions were not distinctively bullish though statistics were mildly favorable to the buying side. The strength of the cash market more than any other one influence was the leading factor in determining the trend of future prices. In the local market some No. 2 red wheat was taken at \$1.06 a bushel and more might have been sold close to that figure. At one time the longs attempted to test the market by increasing their offerings, but their advances were so eagerly met that they soon abandoned these tactics. It was apparent that the shorts were worried and they were not reasured by the fact that May wheat was approaching the dollar mark in nearly all domestic markets and had passed it at Teledo. The belief that the war would be brief was not so general as at the end of last week.

Corn though strong had a much parrower range than wheat. There was less

Corn though strong had a much narrower range than wheat. There was less speculative interest in the coarse grain. Receipts were fairly large and the weather was favorable for movement to market. Closing prices were higher in line with wheat.

May wheat opened 14c up and closed 24c up. May corn opened %c up and closed %c up.

May outs closed \c up. Receipts of produce were moderate and prices of fruits and vegetables were Local securities were dull with little interest except in tractions, which were enerally firm.

Yesterday's bank clearings were \$19,748,427, balances \$1,203,825. Discount rates

were steady between 5 and 6 per cent. Spot cotton was 4c lower in the local market

WHEAT FUTURES CLIMB TOWARD DOLLAR MARK.

BULLISH SENTIMENT CON-TROLS PRICES.

Foreign Markets Advance and Frightened Shorts Rush to

Protect Their Trades.

Bulls were in undisputed control of the grain situation in yesterday's local market. Prices at all other domestic speculative centers were soaring and there was plenty of outside support to strengthen the hands of the professionals, who saw visions of dollar wheat on the May dial. Foreign markets were strictly in line with American centiment and this was emphasized by general advances in European markets desplie heavy world's shipments. Whatever bearish domestic news came to hand was ignored and except for occa-

sized by general advances in European markets despite heavy world's shipments. Whatever bearish domestic news came to hand was ignored and except for occasional slight recessions the market was on the upturn throughout.

The visible supply of wheat the past week decreased \$22,000 bu., against an increase of 541,000 bu. in 1903. St. Louis stocks increased 115,000 bu. and Chicago decreased 41,000 bu. Total visible supply 32,18,000 bu. a week ago and 49,970,000 bu. in 1903.

Wheat on ocean passage affoat for Europe the past week reported at 31,940,000 bu., against 23,160,000 bu. a week ago. Increase 1,880,000 bu. Broomhall estimates it creases at 2,112,400 bu.

World's shipments of wheat to Europe the past week estimated at 9,344,000 bu., against 11,550,000 bu. a week ago and 7,056,000 bu. in 1903.

May wheat opened 4c up and sold at: 334c, 334g, 334c, 334c, 335c, 335c, 335c, 335c, 336c, 345c, 34

23%c, 34c, 34%c, 34%c, 34%c, 34%c, 34%c, 34%c, 34%c, 34%c, 34%c, 35%c, 85%c, 85%c, 85%c, 85%c, 85%c, 85%c, 85%c, 85%c, 64%c, Corn attracted comparatively fittle attention, but the close was strong, in line with wheat. Receipts were large and weather conditions were favorable for shipment to receiving points.

The visible sumply of corn the past week decreased 237,000 bu, and aliast an increase of \$80,000 bu, in 1903. St. Louis stocks increased 57,000 bu, and Chicago stocks 75,000 bu, and the stocks increased 57,000 bu, and week ago and 10,740,000 bu, in 1903.

Corn on ocean passage afloat for Europe the past week reported at 9,435,000 bu, a gainst 3,605,000 bu. Broomhall estimates decrease 170,000 bu. Broomhall estimates decrease 170,000 bu. Broomhall estimates decrease of 1,100,000 bu.

World's shipments of corn to Europe the past week reported at 3,112,000 bu, against 3,500,000 bu, a week ago and 2,916,000 bu. in 1903.

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Receipts of wheat at St. Louis 153,000

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Cash Grain, Flour, Etc.

WHEAT - Received 437 cars local and 23 cars through By sample, det; No. 2 red at \$1.045 W. side local and 4.0441.055 ib aide destination; No.3 red at \$1.0251.03 local and \$1.0251.04 d. 1. mation; No.4 at \$80,405. boral and \$1.0251.04 d. 1. mation; No.4 at \$80,405. and Turkey \$25,225. No. 4 hard at \$56,505. and Turkey \$25,225. No. 4 hard at \$75,505. and \$10,205. No. 4 hard at \$75,505. and \$10,205. No. 4 hard at \$75,505. and \$10,205. No. 2 hard at \$25,505. and \$10,205. No. 3 hard \$10,205. No. 2 hard \$10,205. No. 3 hard \$10,205. No. 2 hard \$10,205. No. 3 hard \$10

through; shipped 1.575 pkgs. Market 25c bld, case count. Cheese - Northern, on orders: Twins at He; Cheese - Northern, on orders: Twins at He; Chingles Hige; Young Americas Hige; long horns Hige. New York twins Hige; limburger Highe; noor 1896; Swiss Ho for choice, No. 2 at 105 He; brick 125 Hige.

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Pork—New standard mess in a jobbing way closed nominally at \$15.40.

Lard—Choice steam of a side closed nominally at 7c. kettle-rendered at 7467-5c.

Green Hams, Etc.—Car nots head i. a. b. E. side thus. Hams—10-av. at 95c; 13s at 95c.

Hs and his at 95c.; 18s and 256 at 95c. Skinned Hams—16s, 1960-3s and 25624 at 10c. California at 256-5c. New York shoulders (10612 av.) at 55c.

Encon—Bxd. s. c. meats in a jobbing way ranged: Breakfast bacon at from 10c for heavy to 145c for choice light; hams at 1156124; c. California at 74c, and New York at 75c.

Best—On orders, bbld.: Pate \$1.50; roll and Fulton Market 35.50; mess 35. Dried, per lb.: Sets 195c; insides 16c; knuckles 13c; outside \$c.

Tongue 125c to 145c per lb.

D. B. Meats—To servive, loose and cured cirbs closed nominally: 40g:5-av. at c. soc. and 59-av. at 6.5c. Bxd. in a jobbing way ranged. Extra shorts at 75c; cirbs at 75c; short clears at 75c; bellies at 7565-6c. John 15c.

Tallow—No. 1 run at 45c; No. 2 do. at 6c; callow—No. 1 run at 45c; ho. 2 do. at 6c; Chickens—Hens and young sound 10c. Old rooters 5c. Ducks 12c. Geose 66ffc. Capons 6 (10 lbs.) 16c; capons, light, 12015c. Guinea chickens, per dox., 52. Live pigeons and squabs, per dox., 55c.

Dressed 1cd Poultry—Turkeys: Average receipts 115c. Chickens—Spring or hens at 1061054g; roosters at 6c. Ducks 16c. Geose 75c. Foregoing figures for choice only.

Game—Ducks, undrawn. per dox.: Maillards 22.5c. bluewing teal \$2.5c. greenwing teal \$2.5c.

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2.50; bluewing teal 12.50; greenwing teal 12;
nixed and wood 11.25. Jacksnipe 51.25. Rabnixed and wood 51.25. Soc. jack rabbits
1. Squirrels, per doz., 50c. Opossum, each,
5c to 40c. Ile to 40: hish—Black bass at He; crapple at 50. Fresh Hish—Black bass at He; crapple at 50. Fresh Hish—Black bass at He; crapple at 50. Fresh Hish—Black bass at He; crapple at 50. Spontal and 70 for large; dressed cat 90; appontal at 60. Buffalo—Gross 30; dressed 50. German carp—Dressed 40; large gross 24; cars amall dressed 30; sunfish 30; white perch 20. Veals—Quote at 5554; per 1b. for choice to fancy; heretics and thin at 3234; sheep at 325 34; old bucks and ewes at 25,030; lambs at 5559;—thin lambs not wanted.

Fruits and Vegetables.

The Republic quotations are for lots in first hands, unless otherwise specified. Small lots on orders are charred higher.

APPLES—Fair sale and firm on choice; poor are dull. Eastern packed, per bbl.; Greening, spy. Baldwin and russets \$292.25 for choice; seconds \$262.75; King \$1.75; Western Ben Davis, winesups, willowing, Roman heauty, etc., \$2.53 \$42.70 for choice, \$152.10 for seconds; geniting \$1272.56.

COCOANUTS-Per 1.000, E. trk., \$35; jobbing STRAWHERRIES-Choice in jobbing way at 7 per bbl.
CALIFORNIA PEARS-Easter Buerre, per lox, \$2.25; winter Nells and P Barry \$2.50\$2.76.
STRAWBERRIES — Practically no demand and offerings quite liberal. Florida refrigerator STRAWSERRIES — Practically no demand and offerings outle fiberal. Florida refrigerator stock held at Sie per grt.

FOTATOES—Car lots on trk. skd.: Wisconsin 159500; Michigan 20192c; Colorado 25295c.
ONIONS—Firm; red globe skd. at \$1.1021.15; flat yellow is less.

CASBAGE—Firm: choice Holland seed or Danish, per ton, del., from 253400 on orders; 31c. per lb.; red cabhage 450 per ton.
CUCUMBERS—Eastern hot-house, fancy large 1161.55 per doz. HORSERADISH-New, \$5.50 per bbl. on orders
SPINACH-Firm. New Orleans at 60070c.
CAULIFIOWER — California, \$102.25 per Caute: Texas \$1.25 per dez.
RUTABAGAS-In buik, 45650c bu. del.
PARSLEY-New Orleans 330235c per dez.
RADISHES-New Orleans 330235c per dez.
FADISHES-New Orleans 32625c per dez. for choice: Louisiana white tipped, \$5020c per dez. for large bunches and 20c for small size, SHALLATIS-New Orleans 45650c per dez. SUNCHES LOUISIANA, SMALLATISCHES CONTROL SC.
ENDIVES-New Orleans 3465 per bbl.
KOHLRABI-New Orleans, 50c dez.
PEPPERS-Duil. Florida 6a at 22.5062 for choice.

Miscellaneous Markets.
FEATHERS-Frime white live gees in small

Prairie—Choice S. Joi; No. 1 83-5019; No. 2 870
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